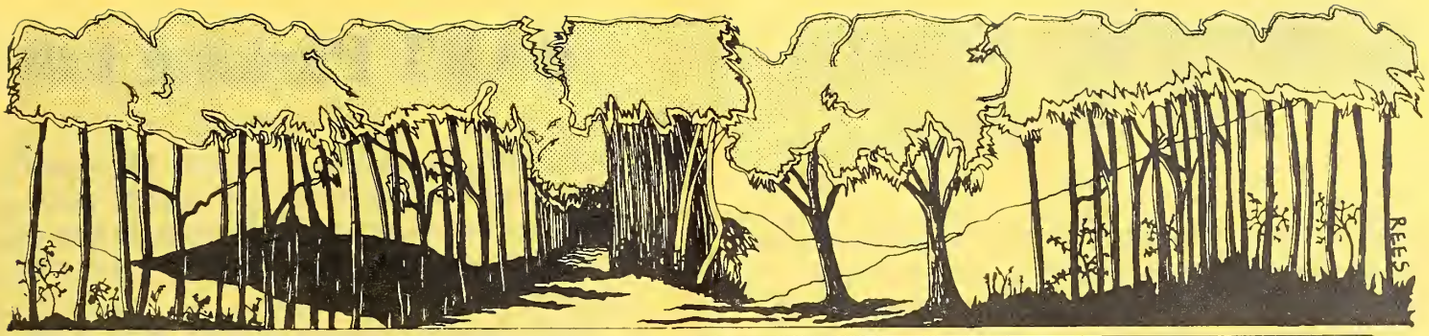

GLEN PARK NEWS

MARCH-APRIL 1982

Help Continental Plan New Building

Mr. Angelo Maza, President of Continental Savings and Loan, attended the March 16 GPA board meeting. He explained that the Victorian facade which Continental had purchased and planned to use on the Glen Park branch office was now not able to be used. Inflation has make the cost prohibitive; the estimated construction cost of the planned structure is $880,000, which Continental cannot afford.

Mr. Maza said that his planning officers and an architectural firm are meeting to discuss the design for a different, less costly structure. Mr. Maza promised to consider a building which would fit into the look of downtown Glen Park and be esthetically pleasing. He would like input from Glen Park residents concerning the type of building and the use to which rental space in the building should be put.

Bruce Bonacker, GPA chairman in charge of Zoning and Planning, will meet soon with Continental's planning team to discuss these considerations. Glen Park residents who have ideas and opinions should jot them down and send them to:

Bruce Bonacker
Glen Park Association
P.O. Box 31292
S.F. Ca. 94131

This building will affect the future character and quality of our neighborhood. So get thinking and send us your ideas!

Fairmount School Hosts May 8 Fair

Fairmount Elementary School will present its 2nd Annual Fair on Saturday, May 8, from 10:00a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Games, food, entertainment, including a puppet show, community booths and a raffle will make it a fun time for the entire family. This event is sponsored by Fairmount School's PTA to raise money for school field trips and equipment. It all takes place at 65 Chenery Street, on the school grounds.

The Glen Park Association will have a booth space at the fair. Glen Park T-shirts and note cards will be sold and new members will be signed-up. This is a good opportunity to add some badly needed money to the rapidly shrinking treasury and to interest new members. Volunteers are needed to serve in two-hour shifts to man (woman) the booth. So join in the festivities and help the GPA at the same time. Call Nelson Combs at 334-5059 as soon as possible.

Next GPA Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 20

7:30 p.m.

Glen Park Recreation Center

All interested residents are welcome to attend the meeting.

Underground Utility Wires Program

San Francisco has a program for putting utility wires underground. Anyone who owns property here can take advantage of this program. Actually, this is nothing new, but because it hasn't received much attention recently, it is worthwhile to examine it at this point.

The program is run by the San Francisco Department of Public Works. It operates basically as follows: Each year, the California Public Utilities Commission establishes a sum of money which it requires the utilities to spend on undergrounding wires. Naturally, a portion of that money is spent in San Francisco. The City has decided that wires will be buried here on a demand basis. In other words, they will bury the wires on your street if you ask them to. The city will take on a project two blocks long or larger, but the D.P.W. won't go into action until they receive a request for undergrounding from at least 51% of the property owners on those blocks. When the work is done, all the wires (electric, telephone, cable TV, and street lights) are buried at the same time. Each property owner is responsible for making the connection between the wires under the street and the residence.

This has been a popular program so far, and, therefore, there is a waiting list for doing this work. If you are interested, you should start organizing your block now. Contact the S.F.D.P.W., Mr. Corollo at 558-3173.

If you do get an undergrounding program moving on your block, please contact the Glen Park Association (Bruce Bonacker, 334-5463), so we can co-ordinate the efforts here in the neighborhood, perhaps combining adjacent active blocks, to increase the scope of the project.

(The most recent estimate as to the length of time one might have to wait before having the undergrounding done is 15 to 20 years. So don't hold your breath.)

BART Parking Lot

The GPA received a letter this week from BART in response to our request for 4-hour metered limited parking in the BART parking lot adjacent to the Glen Park BART station.

BART feels that to serve both Glen Park residents and mid-day shoppers, who would park in the lot in order to take BART downtown, the meters should allow at least 5 hours.

The GPA board is sending a letter in response stating that we grudgingly accept the 5-hour time limit. However, we want to make sure that BART police regularly enforce this limit, so that people will also be able to use the lot while conducting business in downtown Glen Park. In addition, this letter asked that meters in the BART lot be set for hourly increments, so one would have to pay only for the time needed, not the full 5 hours.

We hope that BART takes these requests into consideration when the lot becomes operational.

Due Date

The deadline for receipt of news items, letters, and camera-ready ads for the MAY-JUNE issue is

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After School Program

The Glen Park After School Program is a growing success. Opened only since January, there are 17 children in the program and the credentialed teacher has hired an aide to accommodate the growing enrollment. The activities have included pottery and sculpture, painting, skits, singing (in a variety of languages), French, help with homework, field trips to Glen Park, the Diamond Heights Fire Dept., and Golden Gate Park.

The program would like to give a hero's welcome to Nettie Fabian Tax Service for volunteering to do our monthly bookkeeping. Nettie Fabian and Dennis Mark have recently opened their office at 5228 Diamond Heights Blvd. (behind Yet Wah). They have been a wonderful help to us.

Bouquets to Continental Savings and Loan who gave a very generous donation last year, another example of their committment to the community. We would also like to thank Diamond Super for agreeing to be our guarantor with "Ma Bell"; this saved us a healthy deposit fee.

If you are interested in enrolling your child now or in the Fall, you can obtain application forms from the Glen Park School office, and reserve a position with a deposit for the first and last weeks' fees.

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Our Association's principle source of revenue, other than dues, has been the sale of T-shirts and note cards. In the last couple of years, these products have been sold primarily through order forms.

At present, we have no one to carry on the coordination of this important function. The responsibilities of the job include picking up the orders, filling and and mailing them, reordering products as needed and maintaining minimal bookkeeping and inventory records. And you need some closet or garage space for storing the products.

Since the production of the Glen Park News and the normal expenses of the Association's functions are dependent on this important additional income source, we desperately need someone to volunteer for the job. If you are interested or want more information, please call Nelson Combs at 334-5059.

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The Trees Are Coming!

Watch for 28 additional trees to be planted on Chenery Street between 30th and Castro on Saturday, April 3. Gail McCollom, Tree Planting Chairperson of the GPA, and San Francisco Friends of the Urban Forest helped to coordinate this project by asking homeowners to apply for an application for a street tree and by contributing $50 each per tree, tax-deductible, as SFFUF is a non-profit organization. SFFUF matches the $50 with at least $50 of its own money, which is allocated for sidewalk cutting, hole augering, trees, stakes, ties and topsoil. At least 200 trees have been planted in Glen Park in the last 2 years, but we still need more! If you are interested in coordinating a block tree planting, please call Gail at 334-9603 or SFFUF at 621-TREE.

SF Symphony Tickets

The San Francisco Symphony is again offering the opportunity to attend two symphony-sponsored events at reduced prices. On Saturday, April 24th, two family concerts will be held. At 1:00 p.m., there will be a Lollipop Concert for children ages 4 to 8. At 2:30 p.m., a Youth Concert will take place for young people, ages 9 to 14. Parents may accompany children! Tickets are $4.00 each and may be obtained from Dale Freeman. Call him at 587-0513.

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